permanent building is under repairs/renovation due to damage by earthquake.

Insufficient staff in Kendriya Vidyalayas

963. SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of Kendriya Vidyalayas in the country are not having sufficient staff;

(b) if so, the reason therefor; and

(c) what action Government are taking to fill-up the vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA): (a) to (c) No, Sir. Arising of vacancies and their filling up is a continuous process throughout the academic year. As on 21st November, 2001, 1585 vacancies were available in all the Kendriya Vidyalayas (853) put together. Written exam for the recruitment to the post of teachers is being held on 10th March, 2002 and the meetings of Departmental Promotion Committees are already going on for filling up of vacancies by promotion.

Posting of KV principals at home towns

964. SHRI NAGENDRA NATH OJHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that as per the transfer guidelines of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan a candidate selected for or promoted to the post of principal is not posted at his/her home town; and

(b) if so, the details those who have been posted at their home towns on their initial posting as principal during the preceding three years, alongwith the justification in each case?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. (SHRIMATI) RITA VERMA): (a) In accordance with the transfer guidelines, a candidate on promotion or direct recruitment to the post of